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Dear Supporters, Volunteers, and Friends of Life's Key Ministry,

It sure doesn't feel like two months ago since I first put out the request for prayer regarding the challenge we are facing. The funds set aside to pay for all the courses we send is now depleted, and we have the task of making up the \$31,000 per year that had previously been there. Thank you so much for your prayers! We have a plan in place, and based on the response so far, I am confident that this is the direction God is leading us.

I am very pleased to announce the Life's Key Course Sponsorship Program. In a nutshell, we have divided the large yearly sum into much smaller, easier to digest portions. I have calculated the average number of each course that we send to inmates each month, multiplied it by the cost of one course, and come up with the amount that it costs us to mail out each course title every month. The result is a list of 82 slots that need filled to pay for all of the courses we send.

There are a few specific goals that I have for this program. The first is to broaden our web of support. Losing a major source of funding greatly impacts us. Having more people involved keeps the impact of losing support to a minimum. The second goal is to better show people where their support is going. While all of our other expenses are equally as important (postage, office supplies, birthday cards, etc), course sponsorship offers the ability for those involved to see exactly to whom that donation is going. Each course being sponsored is going to a specific person who is eagerly waiting to study it. Finally, the third goal is to have someone praying for every inmate. It is my intention to provide the names of each inmate that receives a sponsored course, and it is my expectation that you will commit to praying for them. Think of what God could do through this ministry and these men and women if someone is praying for them each month! Many of our students have no one else in their lives. If we don't pray for them, who will?

I have included a breakdown of our course costs with this letter. As you will see, we have already had a positive response. 17 of the 82 slots have already been taken! Some have taken courses based on their favorite book of the Bible, some have gravitated toward a course's main topic, and some have even just liked the picture on the cover. This has been an incredible encouragement, but we have a long way to go. If this is something you are interested in or would like to hear more about, please don't hesitate to contact me for more information! Thank you once again for your prayers in this matter.

“All scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work.” - 2 Timothy 3:16-17

“Thank you for being a part of not just my life, but this journey I'm on in Christ Jesus. I know I'm closer and better today than I was yesterday with your help. I don't have the support I need from my family because of my crime. But through your prayers, my strength and joy is truly renewed in Jesus. Always praying for you...” - Daniel (Michigan)

“Thank you so much for sending me a birthday card. I am so glad that you did because I lost your address and I'd love to start getting bible studies again if you wouldn't mind. I really went through a dark spell and I had given up, but the past few months I have been getting back into His word and I really needed it. Thank you so much and may God bless you.” - Ashley (Ohio)

For HIS Glory,

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